# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RAILWAYS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6069
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UTILISATION OF RAILWAY LAND FOR FISHERY
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) the existing rules for giving licence for fishery on railway land;

(b) whether around 10,496.90 hectors railway land is being utilised for fishery and other purposes as on March 31, 1998;

(c) if so, the number of people given licence for fishery during the last three years and current year and income earned therefrom, zone - wise?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

a): As per extant rules, first preference for the licensing of lakes / tanks for pisciculture is given to the Co-operative Societies formed by the Railway employees. In case, these Co-operative Societies do not come forward, the fishing rights are to be licensed to the Registered Fishermen's Co-operative Society. It they also do not come forth, fishing rights can be given by holding public auction or inviting open tenders. The rights are licensed to the highest bidder/tenderer for a period of one to five years.

(b) and (c): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.